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River Statistics.

R. D. Sayre toll taker at the Milford bridge furnishes the following facts regarding ice in the river this winter. First closed Dec. 8 1895, ice one foot thick thawed out between Dec. 20th and Jan. 1st when it rose to fifteen feet above low water mark and no ice. Jan. 3rd and 4 1896 rafts ran, closed again Jan. 7, and ice got from sixteen inches to two feet thick. Broke up again Feb. 6 and Feb. 7 river rose 16 feet above low water mark, closed again Feb. 17 so it was driven with wagons several days at Diggins. Broke up again Feb. 23 and March 1 river was eighteen feet above low water. March 13 10° below zero and the river closed for the fourth time. Broke up again March 26. March 24 and 25th 4 to 10 below zero. April 1 river fourteen feet above low water mark.

Snow Slides.

The Monroe Democrat is authority for the statement that on March 26th during the heavy rainstorm, several snow slides occurred on the hills of Shawnee in that county. The snow, saturated with water started down the hills gaining velocity and volume as it rushed on, carrying away stone and rail fences, brush and other material, washing out deep gutters and depositing the debris on the fields below. William Place, John S. Heller and J. B. Trassac are the principal farmers injured.

Let the future be what it may, no preparation is so perfect as dying to our own will and living to God's.—Fengou.

A MYSTERIOUS POISON CASE.

Apparently Very Slight Clew to the Guilty Party.

The Inquest in the Snyder Poisoning Case in Port Jervis, N. Y., is Being Held, but Little Evidence is Adduced Through Any Light.

Our readers will recall the mention made in last week's PRESS of the death of Jacob Snyder, an engineer, at Port Jervis, and of the sickness of his wife. She has since then died under circumstances very similar to those of her husband, and the symptoms in both cases point strongly to poison of some kind. At the inquest the testimony of Drs. Swartwout, Banks and Cuddeback, who attended the victims, established the simple fact that the two were suffering from some form of poison, and that it was the cause of death, but they did not state the kind. The viscera have been sent to New York for chemical examination, but the result has not yet been obtained.

Some testimony given by persons in the house, relatives of the deceased, and who had the care of Mrs. Snyder after the daughter, Martha Whitaker, had been excluded from the room, was to the effect that she and her mother did not agree, and occasionally quarrelled, Martha using violent language. It was also shown that Martha went down stairs to dissolve one of the tablets prescribed by the doctor when there was no occasion for her so doing. The anti-mortem statement of Mrs. Snyder it is said is not sufficient to hold the daughter. And she probably will be discharged unless held as a witness. The inquest is still in progress.

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Methodist Appointments.

Port Jervis—R. B. Collins, Matamoras—F. L. Rounds, Branchville, N. J.—G. W. Carver, Dingmans, Pa.—S. Morris, Milford—W. B. Noff, Suffern, N. Y.—R. B. Lockwood, Dunellen—S. F. Custard, Summit, N. Y.—C. S. Ryman, Hainesville and Centerville.—C. H. Van Glahn, Buttsville, N. J.—C. W. Demings, Mountain View, N. Y.—W. S. Randolph, Rockaway—C. Clark, Bloomingdale—W. K. Keifer, Ashbury—M. T. Gibbs, St. Paul, Jersey City—T. C. Mayhem.

A resolution was passed by the conference "that the limit be extended in exceptional cases, provided that no change be made inconsistent with some time limit," which is practically an entering wedge to abolish itinerancy.

STATE NEWS.

A lively time is on in Honesdale over the Postoffice. Two men and a woman are after it, the term of the present incumbent having expired. A lodge of Knights of Malta was instituted at Stroudsburg, March 28.

The Republicans of Centre county will probably vote their preferences for President and Senator at the primaries to be held April 11.

The Tioga county Republicans at their coming primary election are to have a chance to declare their Presidential preference. Lycoming county will also have a popular vote on the same question.

The elections this week will bring the number of delegates chosen to the national convention up to about 450 or one-half the whole number. So far 422 have been elected with nearly the following preferences: Reed 51; McKinley 215; Morton 65; Callum 12; Allison 44; Quay 20; Doubtful 15.

Released From Jail.

Thomas Leahy who has been detained for several weeks in the jail here, was taken before Judge Mitchell on Tuesday on Habeas corpus proceedings, and released on giving bail in \$400, Lorenz Goetz and Howard Kirkham becoming sureties.

STRAINING AT A GRAT AND SWALLOWING A CAMEL.

The Following From the New York Farmer Contains Much Sound Sense and is Worthy of a Careful Reading.

Editor Farmer—Now that the board of health has issued its milk catechism, it ought to be allowed to enjoy a short vacation from its superlative usefulness to tone up its over-wrought system. Out of extreme modesty some questions may have been omitted while others may suggest themselves in the future. For instance:

"What temperature was the cow and the milk at the time of milking?"

"Is the fall of the natural length to shoo off flies and microbes during milking?"

"What per cent of net profit do you have left over after paying expenses, and how do you intend to invest your surplus?"

It is hopeful after cleaning the Augean stables of the farmers, the board of health may turn its optical organs fired with Roentgen rays on some of its home industries. A community whose abnormal appetite creates a demand for bob-wal and horse roasts washed down with sewage water and mint julep ought to strike out for reform. It's a wonder such stomachs have not gone back on the milk long ago.

Now that they have fixed the milk sellers let's even-up with other trades and know what ingredients old Milkum puts into his liquor that it should run both soul and body and people pauper houses and lunatic asylums. If the farmers' milk has killed some people as charged, broths and dens of hell have slaughtered thousands, may more than that, it has fostered its curse in the systems of generations to come. With what cunning are free lunch counters spread with the refuse that a farmer's dog would not sniff at, and with what satisfaction do the dealers watch the victim bolt the vile stuff. In his left hand he holds the cup, whose contents "bit-eth like a snake and stingeth like an adder," and whose hand is the right hand of falsehood.

Nose around a little in your canning factories, your bologna sausage dens where everything from a blowing fly to a sinking calf is ground, doctored, spiced to tickle the epicurean palate. Don't forget in your rounds to call at the lager beer distillery, where everything from a dried caterpillar and hop lice to spit-tee and tobacco ashes go to make up that wholesome beverage. Knock at the door of your sugar refinery where more glucose than saccharine is used to compound a fraud. Call on your cigarette-manufacturer. The devils own buck, whose deft fingers can turn an old stub of cigar moistened with the saliva of some old sot and fired into the common gutter to absorb the street sewage only to reappear in some new fantastic form to decorate the face of some embryo snoker.

Oh, yes! There is a wide field to usefulness spread out before you take hold—Subscriber, Walton, N. Y.

A Birthday Social.

The Young Peoples Society, of Christian Endeavor of the Presbyterian church expects to have a birthday social for every body in the church April 6. Many invitations have been sent out, accompanied with a small bag in which you are requested to put as many pennies as you are years old, and strict secrecy is assured that your age will not be found out. Generous refreshments will be served and all are expected to come and have a good time generally. Proceeds for the benefit of the church.

Who is Pike's Candidate?

The Congressional conference of the Eighth District will be held at Easton to-day, April 3d. Northampton, Carbon, Monroe and Pike counties, each have candidates for National Delegate, but the probable outcome of the conference will be the election of General Frank Reeder, of Northampton, and J. M. Dreisbach, of Carbon. The delegation will doubtless be instructed for Senator Quay.—Lehigh Press.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Milford Borough. Jacob H. Shafer, et. ux. to Henry B. Walls dated April 1st. Lot on Water street. Con. \$800 Ent'd April 1st. Milford Borough. Henry B. Walls to Drusilla Shafer dated April 1st. Lot on Water street. Con. \$800 Ent'd April 1st.

MUTCHLER STILL IN THE RING.

Has not Declared Himself Officially and May Want Revenge.

Several newspapers that are understood to be in the Ring interest have said lately that Mr. Howard Mutchler does not want the Democratic nomination for Congress in this district. Also that Mr. Mutchler positively declines at present to allow the use of his name as an aspirant for congress. But Mr. Mutchler never said so over his own name or in the columns of his publication. Why don't he say it himself? Asks the Easton Call.

"Now our information from Mauch Chunk is that Mr. Mutchler would like to be a candidate. One reason is that the salary of \$5,000 a year for doing nothing in Washington is a nice plum. Secondly, he is not in love with Congressman Hart, who, it is alleged, played Howard false last fall, and it would be such sweet revenge to make a 'nometmer' out of the Pike county hen raiser."

Advertise in the Press.

Changes in Milford.

Ross Van Anken moves in the house on Broad just below the Dimmick house.

Mrs. Wilfred Broadhead will occupy the house corner Broad and George.

Mrs. Alice Mott goes to her own house on Ann street.

George Smith takes the new house of John Armstrong on George street.

Rod Quick will be domiciled on Centre Square and John Gourlay takes the house vacated by him on John street.

L. B. Hissam will henceforth keep the Stone Hotel vacated by Mrs. Lucinda Watson who goes to her own house on Water street, and Frank Rudolph takes the house lately occupied by Chas. Van Tassel on Harford street.

Al Terwilliger will sit under the shadow of his own vine and fig tree on Ann street, and S. A. Johnson and wife who vacate, will board at the Bennett Cottage.

Cornelia Van Eilen and Stacy Fuller take the house vacated by "Al" on Broad street.

Mrs. Palmer takes the Ralph Thrall house on High street, Kurtz moves to Maurice Quinn's farm. May water and sunshine favor his truck patch is the wish of his many friends and customers in town.

Ernest Wood goes to Water street. R. W. Humbert is fitting up the Berthoud house on Harford street for boarders.

Geo. Gregory, who recently purchased the engraving shop, corner Seventh and Harford, has fitted it up as a dwelling and will reside there and Mrs. West Watson will occupy part of it.

William Boyd leaves the Lewis farm and takes a house on the road to Dingman township. Col. Lewis will build a large addition to his farm house and occupy it with his family.

John Ost moves from the Buchanan farm to Water street, and Daniel Olmsted will remove to and work the farm.

Miss Titman goes to Mott street. Gariss, the Branchville stage driver, takes a house on Water street and Jacob Shafer removes to the house vacated by him.

Carbon Wants Recognition.

So Second Term For Hart, Says the Weatherly Herald.

In an editorial the Weatherly Herald says: "The Democrats of Carbon have an excellent opportunity this year to secure the Congressional nomination for one of their number. Never since the formation of the district have the conditions been so favorable, and we would be lax as Democrats and as citizens did we not assert ourselves and our county's claims."

House to Let.

Furnished house to let, on Harford street, Milford, seven rooms and bathroom. Address Charles Weir, 16 Charles St., New York.—3t

POLITICAL NOTES.

The Weatherly Herald comes out in opposition to the harmony scheme advanced by some of the Democratic papers of Carbon county, which have advocated that the congressional conferees be divided between the two factions, whose battles in the past have lost the county to the Democracy and filled the county offices with Republicans. With these results in the past before it, the future of the party has not much hope without harmony, in our neighboring county. The Herald desires the nomination of a Carbon county Democrat for Congressman in this district and assigns as reasons for its hope of success, that Northampton and Monroe have been well taken care of, and that Pike has never been allowed two terms. Whatever may be the opinion of the first named two counties as to their having been sufficiently honored, the statement with reference to Pike is certainly wrong, as Hon. D. M. Van Anken certainly had two terms, and Mr. Hart is seeking a reelection.—Stroudsburg Times.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Arizona is likely to be admitted to States hood. Minister to England Bayard has been censured in the House of Representatives for saying that protection is a form of socialism. Krupp the maker of big guns, at Elsen Germany is the largest in come tax payer on earth. His annual check for that purpose is \$200,000. New and important discoveries are being daily made in X-rays. Stephen H. Emerson, of New York is said to have accomplished the reflecting of them, which, heretofore has been considered impossible. The Springfield Republican a Mugwump organ says there is a renewal of third term talk. Three weeks in every month now the Democrats spend in looking about for a new candidate, and during the fourth they turn on Cleveland and charge him with monopolizing the field. The Newark M. E. Conference has met the issue of admission of women delegates to the general conference squarely. The clause amending provided "and said delegates may be men or women." When it came up last Saturday there was no debate, the question was put and the vote stood thirty-six for the amendment and seventy-nine against. It is quite possible however that it may be adopted at the general conference which meets at Cleveland in May.

Who Knows This Lady.

Pike county has added the name of Mrs. Margaret B. Platt to the list of celebrated women. The white ribbons of the District of Columbia have chosen her for their leader. Good nature and good sense must ever join; To err is human, to forgive divine.—Bye.

PERSONAL.

Miss Katie Beck will not return to Blair Hall for another term. Hon. John A. Kipp arrived home Wednesday for a brief rest.

Mrs. J. C. Bull is convalescing after a long illness of La Grippe. John B. Van Anken, of Delaware township, visited town Monday.

J. B. Westbrook, treasurer, was in his office in Milford this week. Walter Angle is spending the Easter vacation at home.

Aaron Courtright, one of Westfall's staunchest Republicans, was in town Tuesday of this week.

T. D. Shny, of Mast Hope briefly visited the County seat last Saturday.

Moses C. Westbrook and wife of Blooming Grove, came to Milford Wednesday for a visit.

George Bull, Linda Klaer and Blanche Cross returned to Blair Hall, Tuesday, March 31st.

Hon. Jos. J. Hart sought a brief respite from legislative duties at home this week.

Miss Anna Van Inwegen, of Port Jervis, a student at Vassar College, is spending the Easter vacation at her home.

Miss Julia Buchanan has returned to her place in Brown & Armstrong's store after a few weeks' visit in New York city.

The Union school closes April 1st. Miss Swopeniser is the teacher, and will be at home in Milford, after that time.

Miss Katie Klein, who has been spending the winter in the City, will return to Milford this week. Her many friends are rejoicing.

Mr. Jonah Bert, who has been visiting relatives in this place, left for his home in Wisconsin, last Saturday night.

John Schorr left last week to accept a situation in the large straw hat goods store, of John Zimmerman in New York.

Dr. Vincent Emerson, who has been confined to his bed for some time as the result of a severe cold is slowly convalescing and now sits up.

James W. Pinchot gave the fire companies, of the Borough \$20 toward the purchase of new uniforms. Let this excellent example have many imitations.

Justin Niles, of Silver Lake, called on the PRESS Thursday. He states that the Club there is building a fine boat house on the Lake, and contemplates great improvements on its property.

G. E. Hursh, of Layton, N. J., proprietor of the Pine Hill farm poultry yard, makes a specialty of the Rose comb white leghorns. If you are going into the hen business write to him.

G. W. Donaldson, accompanied by his son-in-law and nephew spent Saturday and Sunday at Mr. Donaldson's country home near Dingman's Ferry, returning to New York on Monday of this week.

A Letter From Our First Successor.

NEW HAMPTON, N. Y., Mar. 28, '96. FRIEND VAN ETEN.—The ever welcome PRESS reaches me regularly. The contents are so well arranged and in such readable shape that only on the score of age do our county papers surpass it. The people of Pike county should be proud of such a publication and give it the full benefit of their advertising, so necessary to the success of all papers in city or country. With best wishes for all connected with the paper. I am yours,

THE FIRST SUBSCRIBER.

List of Unclaimed Letters.

Unclaimed letters remaining in the postoffice at Milford, Pike Co., Pa., for the month ending March 31, 1896: LADIES—Mrs. M. E. Lofland, Miss Mary Dorman, Miss Maud Russell.

GENTLEMEN—Rev. Nelson Ripley, J. H. Culver, Willis Jackson, J. B. Reicht. Persons claiming the above will please say "Advertised" and give date of this list.

The Tramp Question.

What shall we do with all the tramps and vagrants and criminals all over America? Stop making them! Shut up the tramp factories, and give us a rest, if only for a year. Over a million saloons, houses of prostitution, and gambling-hells, with nearly as many tobacco stores, are doing their best to advertise all these human wreck factories.

What is the use of driving our tramps and criminals from one town to another? Stop making them, and give us a rest for once. HENRY HANSEN, San Diego, Cal.

Men find it more easy to flatter than to praise.—Richter.

BRIEF MENTION.

—To-day is Good Friday and a legal holiday.

—To your son give a good name and a trade.

—When a boiled fish is done just right, the fat will pull away easily.

—We have no news as yet of conference appointments, but will give a summary next week.

—Our new dentist seems to be full of business and is considering the necessity of an assistant.

The Hale Dental Co., in Brown's building is doing a good business, and is fully entitled to patronage.

—A farmer who is small potatoes himself seldom raises big ones for market.

—Dun Gregory's dear little deer died a peaceful death last week. It was a dear little deer in a double sense.

—Our streets testify that moving day is at hand. Every man wears a worried look, every woman beams. Why the difference?

—What new article of dress will you wear in Easter? Superstition requires something new for good luck during the year.

—Weather for next Sunday, clear and fair, bright and warm sun, overshadows discarded and a delightful day for every man who owns a wheel.

—It is extravagant for a hen when eggs are so cheap to put two yolks in one shell. The farmer gets no more pay for it.

—If you don't want brachy stock because the fences are up good and strong before you turn out this spring.

—William Hawks, of Mast Hope, Pike county, who is 82 years old, and has held the office of Justice of the Peace 45 years, refused to run this year on account of his age and health.

—Bee hives should be located facing the south or east so that the coming sun will strike them. In hot weather they may be shaded with brush.

—Geo. Daumann Jr., has a large force of men employed digging the cellar for his new house, which will be rapidly pushed to completion. It will be an ornament to the village.

—Things are very much mixed in these days, said the old hen sally. "There were seventy-five chickens hatched last night, and I can't tell which are mine, and which are the incubator's."

—We are pleased to receive correspondence from all parts of the county. Get down the local happenings, the changes, and any event of interest, and send to the PRESS. Our readers will appreciate them.

—The ladies are taking a lively interest in the column devoted especially to them in the PRESS. If you have anything in that line new or desirable, don't keep your light under a bushel but let it shine in your column.

—Great solicitude is manifested in high places about the depreciation of the currency. But what about the depreciation of every thing else? The currency at most is not more than three per cent of the entire wealth of the country.

—During 1895 we paid out \$85,000,000 of American gold for wool, of which our farm products furnished seventy-five per cent, and the American farmer wore shoddy—made of rags from Europe—on his own back. Should wool be free? The Democrats say yes.

—Note the opportunity to buy a good selection of roses offered by J. Leahy the gardener at Grey Towers, in another column. Nothing so good to do, and adorn a place as a few choice roses scattered here and there around the yard, and you surely can afford them at the prices named.

—Quay buttons are now being made and 500,000 will be sent to all portions of the State as fast as they are turned out. The button bears the keystone, the insignia of the Commonwealth, surrounding the portrait of the junior senator, surrounded by the words "For President" and "M. S. Quay beneficiary."

—However good city papers may become, and however cheap they may be sold, they can never supplant or destroy the local press. The demand for local news in each individual section of the country is as great as the demand for the second news in big cities, and there will always be a local press to supply that demand. It is nonsense to talk of the papers of the large cities fulfilling the universal demand.

—If I only knew whether the policeman is standing there because nothing is happening, or whether nothing is happening because he is standing there.—Flegende Blatter.

—Let not the blessings we receive daily from God make us not to value or not to praise Him, because they are common.—Isaak Walton.

—Be something—anything but mean.—Bye.